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The Question of Rewards.

General Lawton is an Indianian, and the people of that state are watching his achievements in the Philippines with great pride and interest. The Fort Wayne Journal proposes him for governor, saying:

"The impetuous charge at Las Guasimas made history, and made Roosevelt a governor. Funston's feat won a battle, and ernor. Funston's reat won a battle, and he has the refusal of any gift within the bestowal of his people. How would it do to make Henry W. Lawton the next governor of Indiana?"

It would probably be a mistake. General Lawton is a soldier, and has had no other training. So far as known he, like Admiral Dewey, has no ambitions outside of his profession. Within that profession he has won distinction, and, if his life is spared, still higher things are in store for him in the field with which he is familiar. Why disturb that promise? Why switch him off on what to him would be the side track of

The case of Theodore Roosevelt is not in point. Governor Roosevelt had enjoyed considerable experience in civil affairs, and had won national fame. It is misleading to say that "the impetuous charge at Las Guasimas" made him governor of New York. His name for some years had already been canvassed in connection with that office. His dash as a volunteer soldier simply illuminated for the time the qualities which many of the people of the state had long felt entitled him to the seat at Albany. And in politics again Governor Roosevelt is in his element. He belongs there. His whole training has been in politics. As a soldier he was only a few months in camp and fought through one campaign of only a few weeks. The record, though very fine, is meager. One does not think of the man as a soldier but as a poli-

tician and statesman. At the breaking out of the civil war, and again last year when the war with Spain began, there was much complaint about putting men whose only experience had been acquired in civil life into high and responsible places in the army. The action was excused on the score of political pressure from all parties and a lack of trained men. Let us not make a like mistake now and call to high political places men whose claims upon our admiration and confidence rest upon military achievements alone. A political office is no more suitable reward for a soldier or sailor than is an army or naval office a suitable reward for a polltician and statesman. Admiral Dewey's greatest service after destroying the Spanish fleet was to discourage the politicians who rushed at him by letter and other means with the offer of a presidential nom-

The Wreck of the Paris.

Good weather and good management con bined in the case of the Paris to prevent an appalling disaster. The reef on which she ran in the night is one of the most menacing portions of the English coast. Its record of death and destruction is very long. Scarce a season passes without a tragedy at the Manacles. Only last October the Mohegan foundered while wandering mysteriously out of her course and ten lives were sacrificed on this sharp spur of partiy sunken rocks. Had there been heavy win and sea and poor discipline in the manage ment of the steamer when the Paris struck the world might today have been bewalling another calamity of shocking proportions,

There are evidently certain currents setting around this spit of land which are not yet accurately calculated and charted. That so staunch a ship as the Paris should be carried far enough out of her course in calm weather as to strike is in itself a matter for serious concern, apart from the damage which has been wrought. There is a belief that the English authorities might render this danger point more secure. At present practically the skill of the pilot alone can be relied upon to prevent such

The admirable manner in which the ship and her passengers were managed during the process of getting the people ashore last night is cause for general congratulation. Instantly the fate of the Bourgogn springs to mind in sharp contrast. Had th same discipline and order prevailed when that steamer struck the Cromartyshire it is not to be questioned that many score and perhaps hundreds of lives would have been saved. The reports of the Paris wreck agree that there was no confusion among either crew or passengers. It is easy to believe that the same condition would have been practically maintained had the danger been greater than it was.

The history of ocean tragedies has shown ships manned by Americans or En gilshmen or Germans are much more se cure in time of peril than are those con trolled by the seamen of other nations. The experience with the steamer Stella, which was wrecked a few months ago near the English coast, proved this confidence to be well founded. In the midst of the gravest danger the sailors of these nations stand manfully to their posts, doing their duty despite the danger of death.

After the ovations which he will encounter Admiral Dewey will probably be more averse than ever to going through a series of speeches and torchlight processions in a

presidential campaign.

The Situation in Luzon. The confident expectation that Gen. Otis would return a negative reply to the request of the Filipino peace emissaries for an armistice was justified, as is shown by the closing sentence of his cable report, received today. There is no certainty now as to the outcome of the negotiations. Some of the press dispatches indicate that the emissaries have acknowledged that they have no power to bind Aguinaldo as to the acceptance of whatever terms they may make with the Americans. There is the s; me reference to the inability of the generals to premise peace without popular assent. The absurdity of the request for an armistice and the wisdom of Gen. Otis' ecutinued refusal to cease fighting are shown by this shuffling attitude of the commissioners, who are virtually, according to their own declaration, without any power whatever save to accept favors.

The military movements are of a different character from those which have heretofore been in progress. Gen. Lawton is moving southward down the Rio Grande toward MacArthur's headquarters at San Fernando, which is six or seven miles east of the railroad line. In moving thus downstream Gen. Lawton has driven westward the insurgents he has met on his course, thus tending to keep them on the line of principal avenue of the rebel retreat and the chief aid in the American advance. Gen. Luna's force, considerably diminished, is at Tarlac, which lies about thirty-five miles north of San Fernando, on the railprincipal avenue of the rebel retreat and

THE EVENING STAR. road, and about fifty miles by rail from the end of the line on the Gulf of Lingayan. The movement downstream by Lawton

may mean that there is to be no further ef-

fort to flank the enemy. From San Isidro,

the former rebel capital, just captured, to

Tarlac is about twenty-five miles across ountry. In all probability Gen. Lawton has found the advance so difficult away from the railroad that it has been deemed wise not to attempt any more flank marches, but to concentrate the forces in the field at San Fernando and possibly to move thence northward along the railroad toward Tarlac, Gen. Luna has destroyed the line for several miles in his front between him and the American army, and the advance to Tarlac, if attempted, may be lower than otherwise on this account. The chief point in the case, as revealed in Gen. Odis' dispatch, is that the enemy is now farther removed from the main American position than at any previous time in the campaign. The dispatch also notes the steady disintegration of the rebel forces. The desertion of leaders and troops must continue if the campaign is pushed aggressively and the plan of government is steadfastly presented to the people upor the basis of practical local autonomy and

good administration for all. An Unworthy Pulpiteer.

This story, dated yesterday, comes from

Calumet, Mich .: "This city is excited over a sermon deivered by Rev. H. C. Hunter at the First Congregational Church today. Rev. Hunter took occasion to criticise the national ad-ministration for its Philippine policy and its course during the Spanish war. Charles fomma, a volunteer in the 34th Michigan, was in the audience, and he interrupted the pastor, saying: 'Any man who talks like that is a traitor to his country and to his flag, and I refuse to listen to him.' He then left the church.

The Rev. Mr. Hunter belongs to tha lass of men-not numerous, but very noisy who insist that, in the first place, the war with Spain was unjustifiable, and, in the second place, that, when begun, it was ought unwisely. The administration's ourse in the Philippines they especially ondemn. The only merit these people have their consistency. They don't undertake o pick and choose, denouncing here and praising there, but they throw their whole force against their country. As they view the matter, the United States lost its head ast year, and ever since has been plunging ecklessly from one blunder to another, until it has pulled up in the Philippines as a riminal assailant of liberty.

The men least disposed to listen to this ort of talk are, of course, the men who nlisted and fought the war. They are told, n effect, that they fought as fools fight, and that their comrades who fell died as fools die. Their patriotism is derided, and they are slurred in their pride and in all f their best and highest feelings. Naturally that soldier at Calumet lost patience when his ears were assailed with such a deliverance, and one is inclined to indorse his position that even the pulpit should no

ave it from rebuke. There is a lesson in this for those poliicians who are plping away in the Rev. Mr. Hunter's key, and, under the pretense of solicitude for the western volunteers in the Philippines, are hammering the President on the subject of bringing the men ome. Those men will return home in good ime, and when they arrive they will be as ittle disposed as was their Michigan comrade to hear the cause for which they have so bravely fought, and for which many gave up their lives, characterized as one of folly and injustice. Every one of them is likely to be a witness against the side which is calling them to the stand.

New York's Spasm of Sunday Virtue. New York was comparatively moral yesterday. The saloons were not permitted to sell liquor openly. The gambling hells were required to close their doors to casual vistors. The disreputable resorts of all clawere under guard to prevent undue revelry. The suburban entertainment communities were hampered in their boisterousness. The metropolis had become good in the twinkling of an eye. The cause of the phenomenon is not hard to find. A committee is now in session with the authority of the egislature, seeking the facts concerning police and municipal corruption. Enough has been disclosed to convince the people that the old-time tricks are being turned again and that the "wide-open" town is a fact under Tammany rule. Despite the assertions of the police authorities on the stand that it is impossible to keep the vice and crime at a lower ebb than has been the rule for some months past, yesterday brought a transformation for the better. A wrecks as that of the Mohegan and that of few sharp orders were passed down the ine from the police commissioners and the onsequence was relative decency such as the city has not enjoyed for a long time. While the spasm of virtue is not likely to last long it serves an excellent purpose in howing how effective the police force can be if it is properly directed and if it honesty carries out its orders. Further testimony that the metropolis has lately been as good as a city can be will not find credence in the light of this demonstration of effective olicing.

> It seems to be the business of Professor Von Stengel at the peace conference to demonstrate that whatever other monarchs may do, the kaiser will insist on remaining on the verge of war.

---The Spanish prisoners in the Philippines who are depending on the Americans for freedom may be excused if they get more or less mixed in their sentiments of loyalty.

---Mr. Grosvenor does not propose to try to strain the mathematics of the situation so as to make his own speakership chances appear more favorable

Mr. and Mrs. Belmont have left for Europe, and Lexington, Ky., can resume its old custom of dining at noon instead of 7

It is not suspected that the Dawson fire was caused by the recklessness of return-

ing Klondikers who had money to burn. It is to Ohio's credit that Reformer Sam

Jones is a more successful lecturer than Mrs. George.

A Fortunate Failure.

The Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes, which has just reached Hampton Roads from Santiago, is the only large naval relic of the war with Spain which has been preerved. Her recovery from the condition in which she was placed by the Spaniards when they sank her at the entrance to Santiago harbor July 4 to prevent American ingress, recalls vividly the circumstance of the sinking of the collier Merrimac by Lieut. Hobson some time before. When the Merrimac was sunk the world applauded the deed for its bravery. There were few parallels in naval history for this feat of dare-devil enterprise, particularly in view of the escape of the participants from harm. But as to the utility of the feat there were then many doubts, and there are more now that the entire campaign at Santiago can be viewed. The Merrimac did not fully block the channel owing to a slight slip in the performance of the plans, and so she did not prevent the egress of the Spanish fleet. As circumstances developed it was exceedingly fortunate that this was the case, for otherwise the remarkable victory the railroad which has thus far been the of July 3, which destroyed Spain's naval

completeness of the destruction on the one side and the immunity from damage on the other. Then the taking of Santiago was greatly simplified. Its capture by assault would still have cost dearly, in the judgment of most military writers. But the demolition of the cruisers had demoralized the enemy and negotiations for surrender were more easily brought to a conclusion The sinking of the Mercedes the night after the destruction of Cervera's ships was in imitation of Hobson's performance. The vessel was hastened in her scuttling by the fire of some of the American cruisers which chanced to be near the mouth of the harbor and thus the obstruction in the channel was no more effective than was that afforded by the Merrimac.

The minister who preached to the Anglo-Saxon peace delegates selected as his text 'And you old men shall see visions and you young men shall dream dreams." The skeptical Germans will have their own ways of interpreting the passage as applied to a scheme for international peace.

There is some roaring in Ohio, but it is expected that the usual quiet will prevail when Mr. Hanna puts on his performing costume and goes into the cage.

The present position of the Filipinos would make it advisable for the Paris landlord to collect Agoncillo's board bill weekly in ad-

Jockey Sloan does not conceal his lack of interest in the Prince of Wales. The prince is rather too heavy to make much of a

The populists are doubtless looking for ward to a "prodigal son" edition of Senator Peffer's paper.

SHOOTING STARS.

Keeping Up the Controversy. "No sir." said the indignant citizen; "I'm not going to have anything to do with him. I used to enjoy arguing, but he goes too

"What has he been doing now?" "He came around and asked me to subscribe to a fund to purchase a private box at the fireworks, to be presented as a tes timonial to Admiral Sampson, so that he could see how the battle of Santiago

The Filipino Plea for Parley. He put away his flag of truce And sadly muttered, "what's the use?

The Spaniards, though to justice blind, Were far more sociably inclined.'

"Mike," sald Plodding Pete, "dere's only ne time when I envies de rich." "I'm ashamed of yer weakness."

"I don't blame you. But when I read about dese swells comin' all de way from Europe as saloon passengers, I can't help feelin' a pang o' jealousy.

His Heroism.

"There seems to be a general tendency among certain acquaintances of mine to make comments to the effect that I ain't any hero," remarked Senator Sorghum "Well, your line of business doesn't call

on a man to risk his life," said the friend. "Look here; oughtn't a man's principles to be dearer to him than his life?" "Certainly.

'Well, haven't I gone to the front and sacrificed my principles many and many a

Sweet Simplicity.

With wisdom, goodness, grace, she filled For sixty years the throne;
And whatsoe'er her people willed
That will she made her own.

—Sir Alfred Austin's poem on Queen

How boldly does the poet shun All figures inexact

Victoria.

The level roads of fact Hail to the bland Wordsworthian bard! Let no one look askance

When inspiration travels hard

And empty jingles dance. The sun at morning rises high; At evening 'twill set. The dusty street is very dry.

The rain is very wet. To meet a wise man is a treat. A stupid man's a bore. A yard will measure just three feet

And two and two make four. A young girl is a dainty sight; A creature full of grace. A boy is often impolita

And has a dirty face. Cows have four legs as all may see. 'Tis one of nature's tricks. Few animals there are with three

Although some bugs have six. The poet may serenely smile And still his lay pursue.

He needn't worry o'er the style Provided that It's true.

Ablest and Most Enterprising.

From the Sloux Falls Press.

The Washington Star, ablest and most enterprising newspaper ever published at the national capital, is about to build a magnificent new home, and this means that it will become even better as a news-

So Reasonable and Sensible. From the St. Paul Ploneer-Press.

It is so delightfully reasonable to believe that American soldiers in the Philippines under such men as Otis, MacArthur, Lawton and Funston are resorting to practices that have never been resorted to by American troops, even in the struggles with the implacable Apache. It is so indicative of common sense to accept for gospel accounts of deeds of fiendlsh malignity paralleled only by the traditions of the Inquisition or the Vernagaries. the Vehmgericht. One can imagine the mischievous glee with which these young-sters in the Philippines dish up these tales for no other purpose than to raise the hair and make creep the flesh of their gentle mothers and sisters. Swallowers of these tales of gore need a few bottles of some-tales of gore need a few bottles of some-thing to cure their biliousness, cheer them up a bit and awaken a sense of their own ridiculousness. Spring is a trying season, ridiculousness. Spring is a trying season, but a sense of humor is better than many

Plenty of Work and Good Wages.

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The news of the advance in wages of woodworkers which has just taken place in Cincinnati is in line with what has been going on in other fields of industry all over the country for the past few months. All the wages lost in the successive reductions during the democratic panic days of 1803 and afterward have been recovered, and in many instances increases have been made. many instances increases have been made on the amount received before the cuts took place. There are fewer idle persons in the country now than were ever known before. Everybody has work who wants it, and wages are up to the highest mark of the past, or above it.

A Newspaper's Promotion. From the Providence Journal,

We present hearty congratulations to the Boston Transcript. That estimable paper has been taken to task for its "imperialistic" views by the Springfield Republican and the secretary of the anti-imperialist propagands. propaganda.

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